

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Wye Heights Plantation

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Wye Heights Rd., 1.8 mile north of Longwoods

CITY, TOWN

Longwoods

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Talbot

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☐ YES, RESTRICTED☐ YES, UNRESTRICTED☒ NO**PRESENT USE**☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

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STREET & NUMBER

Wye Heights Plantation

CITY, TOWN

Easton

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21601

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Talbot County Courthouse

Liber #: 253

Folio #: 390

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

STATE

Maryland 21601

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Wye Heights Plantation is situated upon a small peninsula at the juncture of four branches of the Wye River. The farm is composed of approximately 1,000 acres and is located 1.5 miles north of the village of Longwoods.

The mansion is composed of the original central portion with later wings nearly tripling the size of the house. Its facade is three bays wide with central porch and entrance. The full pediment above the second floor has a lunette window divided into two segments. Between the first and second story windows is a stone panel similar to the panels of Beckford and Teackle Mansion in Princess Anne. The doric porch is crowned with a balustrade bearing the date MDCCXXI in a central panel. The door beneath the porch is flanked by pairs of pilasters repeating the placement in the front columns. Stone steps with iron balustrade lead to the platform from a brick drive. All windows have 6/6 sash and shutters with panels in the lower part and louvers above. There is a brick cornice composed of two corbeled brick courses. On each side of the central portion are pairs of chimneys rising high above the roof. Beneath the porch is scored stucco which is probably the original finish for the entire house as all sides are laid in common bond brick, including the wings.

Each wing is three bays long and two stories tall and recessed from the plane of the original central facade. The details are similar except that there are segmental arches over the windows of the east wing and jack arches in the west wing. The two ends of the roof are hipped and a large chimney rises from the bottom of the hip. At the west end of the house is a screened porch and at the east end is a balancing kitchen wing with a smaller addition beyond the kitchen.

The north facade has the same number of windows, however, across the central section is a large four column ionic portico with three french doors on the first floor. One interesting feature is the fact that the easternmost bay of the east wing is recessed to allow for a pre-existing tree to remain in place. On each side of the portico and on the hip side of the wings are dormers.

To the northeast of the house is a 10 acre walled garden extending to the River and Skipton Creek. About half way between the house and the river is a ha ha. Closer to the dwelling are a series of out-buildings and dwellings extending in an easterly direction to a range of garages and barns beyond.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Wye Heights Plantation is significant historically as a dwelling associated with the Lloyd family of Wye House. It is also important as a superior example of a Federal style Plantation House comparable with Wye House and almost identical to Presqu'ile, a few miles west and closer to Wye. Wye Heights has been altered greatly from its original appearance, however, the alterations are significant in themselves and have existed over fifty years. The outbuildings, gardens, driveway and ha ha are also of great importance to the history of landscape in Talbot.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Wilson, E.B., Maryland's Colonial Mansions, A.S. Barnes,
New York, 1965, p. 49.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

Dec., 1976

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



Wye Heights Plantation
South Facade

Michael O. Bourne

3/1977





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Wye Heights Plantation

North Facade

Michael O. Bourne

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